

PACIFIC AND WESTERN LIVESTOCK AND MEAT TRADE REVIEW

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., JUNE 2, 1950 (FEDERAL-STATE MARKET NEWS). LIVESTOCK AND MEAT SUPPLIES WERE REDUCED SOMEWHAT THIS WEEK BY OBSERVANCE OF THE MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY. HOWEVER, SUPPLIES OF MOST CLASSES WERE ADEQUATE FOR IMMEDIATE DEMANDS WHICH SHOWED SIGNS OF BEING RESTRICTED MODERATELY BY PREVAILING PRICE LEVELS. A SLIGHT SEASONAL PICK-UP IN GRASS CATTLE MARKETING, MOSTLY COWS, PROVED TO BE A TRADE RETARDING FACTOR, ESPECIALLY ON BEEF FROM THESE ANIMALS. HIGH MEDIUM AND GOOD STEERS AND HEIFERS REMAINED IN GOOD DEMAND AT FIRM PRICES, BUT MOST COWS SOLD WEAK TO 50¢ LOWER, PARTICULARLY IN THE CENTRAL CALIFORNIA REGION. SOME WEAKNESS ALSO DEVELOPED ON VEALERS AND CALVES. LATE PRICES ON HOGS WERE MOSTLY 25¢ ABOVE THE CLOSE OF LAST WEEK AND SPRING LAMBS WERE 25-50¢ LOWER, WITH SOME SALES \$1.00 LOWER AT PORTLAND.

IN THE TRADE ON DRESSED MEATS AT WHOLESALE, STEER BEEF AVERAGED ABOUT STEADY ON THE WEST COAST, WHILE COW BEEF WAS WEAK TO \$1.00 LOWER. VEAL, CALF AND SPRING LAMB SOLD ABOUT STEADY. THERE WAS UNEVENNESS IN PORK PRICES. IN THE SAN FRANCISCO-OAKLAND BAY AREA LOINS WERE MOSTLY \$2.00 LOWER AT THE CLOSE, WHILE SMOKED MEATS AND OTHER FRESH PRODUCTS SOLD STEADY. IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST MOST FRESH AND SMOKED PORK SOLD STEADY TO \$1.00 HIGHER. COOLER HOLDINGS WERE OF SEASONAL MODERATE VOLUME LATE, WITH A TENDENCY TOWARD ACCUMULATION ON COW BEEF AS WELL AS ON UTILITY AND COMMERCIAL STEER BEEF. UNUSUALLY WARM WEATHER WAS ANOTHER FACTOR CONTRIBUTING TO A SLOWER MOVEMENT OF DRESSED MEATS.

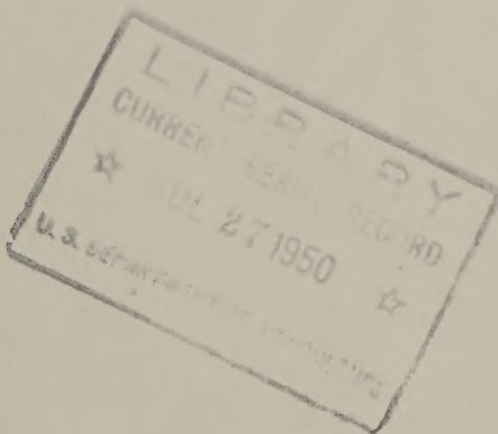
STOCKER AND FEEDER CATTLE CONTINUED TO MOVE QUITE READILY OVER MOST OF THE WESTERN STATES AND PRICES WERE FULLY STEADY TO STRONG, BUT THERE WAS GROWING COMMENT AND INCREASED RELUCTANCE TO THE CONTRACTING OF CATTLE AT PREVAILING PRICE LEVELS. FEEDLOT OPERATORS, IN CALIFORNIA ESPECIALLY, INDICATE AN INCLINATION TO AWAIT A CLEARER OUTLOOK ON THE FUTURE ECONOMIC SITUATION BEFORE TAKING ON ANY ADDITIONAL VOLUME OF FEEDER CATTLE. IN SOME SECTIONS OF CALIFORNIA FEEDLOT HOLDINGS ARE NOW AROUND 50% OF CAPACITY. RECENT PURCHASES FROM VARIOUS WESTERN STATES INCLUDED YEARLING STEERS AT \$24.25 TO \$25.75, THESE MOSTLY STOCKERS, WHILE GOOD FEEDING STEERS SUITABLE TO GO ON FULL FEED IMMEDIATELY WENT AT \$25.00 TO \$27.00 ON THE MARKETS WITH A FEW LOADS UP TO \$27.50. PRICES RANGING FROM \$24.00 TO \$25.00 COVERED YEARLING AND TWO YEAR OLD STEERS FOR LATE SEPTEMBER TO EARLY NOVEMBER DELIVERY IN MONTANA, NEVADA, IDAHO, UTAH, NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA. GOOD CALVES WERE CONTRACTED FROM \$25.00 TO \$26.00.

ON THE TERMINAL MARKETS OF THE FAR WEST MOST AVERAGE MEDIUM TO LOW GOOD SLAUGHTER STEERS SOLD AT \$27.00 TO \$30.00, A FEW GOOD STEERS MAKING \$31.00 AND A COUPLE LOADS \$32.00 AT LOS ANGELES. SALES OUT OF FEEDLOTS ON DIRECT MOVEMENT TO PACKING PLANTS WERE AT ABOUT THE SAME PRICE BUT WITH A 4% SHRINK IN WEIGHT. ODD LOTS OF MEDIUM AND LOW GOOD HEIFERS BROUGHT \$25.50 TO \$29.00. MOST COMMON, MEDIUM AND GOOD COWS SOLD FROM \$18.00 TO \$22.50, A FEW LOTS OF GOOD YOUNG COWS MAKING \$23.00 TO \$24.00. CANNERS AND CUTTERS SOLD AT \$15.00 TO \$17.00 ON THE BULK, SOME MARKETS BEING UP TO \$18.00.

GOOD AND CHOICE VEALERS WERE IN SMALL SUPPLY AND SOLD AT \$28.00 TO \$30.00, A FEW HEAD UPWARD TO \$32.00. MOST MEDIUM VEALERS AND MEDIUM AND GOOD SLAUGHTER CALVES WENT AT \$25.00 TO \$28.00. GOOD AND CHOICE BUTCHER HOGS WEIGHING 180-240 LBS. SOLD LATE AT \$20.50 TO \$22.00 WITH THE LOWER RANGE OF PRICES PREVAILING IN CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOME OF THE INTERMOUNTAIN REGIONS. MODERATE NUMBERS OF GOOD AND CHOICE SPRING LAMBS MOVED THROUGH THE MARKETS AT \$26.50 TO \$27.00, A FEW TO \$27.25 AND ONE LOAD \$28.25 IN LOS ANGELES. GOOD AND CHOICE SPRING LAMBS MOVED ON DIRECT SHIPMENT FROM CLOVER PASTURES AT MOSTLY \$27.00 WITH 4% SHRINK, WHILE FEEDING AND SHEARING LAMBS MOVING ONTO CLOVER PASTURES WERE FROM \$25.00 TO \$26.50.

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SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., JUNE 9, 1950 (FEDERAL-STATE MARKET NEWS). THE MOVEMENT OF CATTLE, CALVES AND HOGS TO MARKET WAS MAINTAINED AT MODERATE SEASONAL VOLUME THROUGHOUT THE WEEK, BUT SPRING LAMBS RECEIPTS WERE INCREASED BY AN EARLIER MOVEMENT -- PARTICULARLY FROM THE NORTH COAST REGION OF CALIFORNIA. AN EARLY DECLINE OF 50¢ TO \$1.00 DEVELOPED ON CATTLE AT THE SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO MARKET, BUT ELSEWHERE IN THE WEST THE TRADE WAS FAIRLY ACTIVE WITH ONLY SPOTTED INSTANCES OF WEAKNESS. MOST OF THE VEALERS AND CALVES SOLD FULLY STEADY, WHILE HOGS ADVANCED 25¢ TO 75¢. UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF INCREASED RECEIPTS SPRING LAMBS DECLINED \$1.00 TO \$1.50 AT THE MARKETS. THE CONTRACTING OF CATTLE ON RANGES IN THE WESTERN STATES CONTINUED TO DISPLAY PRICE FIRMNESS, ESPECIALLY IN MONTANA. RANCHERS WERE REPORTED TO BE ASKING HIGHER PRICES THROUGHOUT MOST OF WYOMING, UTAH, IDAHO AND NEVADA. MANY OF THE STATES REPORTED BROADENING ACTIVITY ON THE PART OF FEEDER BUYERS FROM THE CORN BELT STATES.

RATHER SMALL SUPPLIES OF MEDIUM AND GOOD SLAUGHTER STEERS SOLD ON THE MARKETS AT \$26.00 TO \$30.00. A FEW LOADS OF GOOD UP TO \$31.00 AT PORTLAND. SMALL LOTS OF LARGELY MEDIUM GRADES HEIFERS BROUGHT \$25.00 TO \$27.00, A FEW GOOD FED HEIFERS REACHING \$28.50. BULK OF THE COMMON, MEDIUM AND GOOD RANGE SLAUGHTER COWS SOLD FROM \$17.00 TO \$23.00, A FEW GOOD YOUNG COWS UP TO \$24.00 AND MOST CANNERS AND CUTTERS FROM \$15.00 TO \$17.00. IN THE INTERMOUNTAIN STATES QUITE A VOLUME OF MEDIUM AND GOOD FEEDER YEARLING AND TWO-YEAR-OLD STEERS WERE CONTRACTED FOR FALL DELIVERY AT \$23.50 TO \$25.00, MANY LOTS OF GOOD CALVES AT \$24.50 TO \$26.00, INCLUDING SOME MIXED LOTS OF STEERS AND HEIFERS. SELECTED LOTS OF STEER CALVES GOT UP TO \$27.00 AND A FEW REACHED \$27.50. SEVERAL LOADS OF GOOD FEEDER STEERS BROUGHT \$27.00 TO \$28.00 ON WESTERN MARKETS.

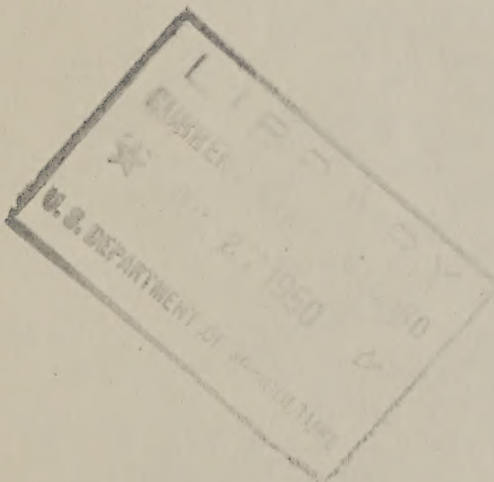
MEDIUM AND GOOD VEAL CALVES SOLD AT \$26.00 TO \$30.00 ON WEST COAST MARKETS, A FEW CHOICE VEALERS GETTING UPWARD TO \$32.00, MEDIUM AND GOOD 300-450 LB. SLAUGHTER CALVES \$25.00 TO \$29.00. LATE TRADE ON GOOD AND CHOICE 180-240 LB. BUTCHER HOGS WAS AT \$21.50 TO \$22.00, WITH LOS ANGELES HAVING SOME UP TO \$22.50, WHILE IN OGDEN SALES WERE FROM \$20.75 TO \$21.50. LATE SALES ON GOOD SPRING LAMBS WERE AT \$25.00 TO \$26.00 AT SAN FRANCISCO, BUT DURING THE WEEK SELECTED LOADS OF GOOD AND CHOICE SENT FROM \$26.25 TO \$27.00. AT OTHER WESTERN MARKETS SALES OF GOOD AND CHOICE SPRING LAMBS RANGED FROM \$25.00 TO \$26.50 DURING THE WEEK. GOOD BREEDING LAMBS FROM THIS SPRINGS CROP SOLD FROM \$23.50 TO MOSTLY \$25.00 AT SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO.

IN THE TRADE ON DRESSED MEATS AT WHOLESALE THIS WEEK THERE WAS A RATHER SLOW MOVEMENT AT FIRM PRICES GENERALLY. INSTANCES OF STRENGTHENING PRICES TENDED TO MORE THAN OFFSET SOME WEAK SPOTS. THE MOST PRONOUNCED PRICE CHANGE WAS AN ADVANCE OF \$2.00 TO \$4.00 ON SOME PORK ITEMS IN THE SAN FRANCISCO-OAKLAND BAY AREA. THE GRADUALLY GROWING CONFIDENCE OF LIVESTOCK PRODUCERS GENERALLY THROUGHOUT THE LATTER HALF OF LAST YEAR AND SO FAR THIS YEAR, WITH RESPECT TO BUSINESS IN GENERAL, AND THE BROAD DEMAND DISPLAYED BY AMERICAN CONSUMERS FOR MEATS ARE AMONG THE FACTORS WHICH HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO PRICE RECOVERY FROM THE SHARP LOWS OF EARLY LAST YEAR.

MEAT PRODUCTION FROM SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION IN THE FIRST FOUR MONTHS OF THIS YEAR WAS 3 PERCENT LESS ON BEEF, 5 PERCENT LESS ON VEAL, 5 PERCENT MORE ON PORK AND 1 PERCENT MORE ON LAMB AND MUTTON. THE COMBINED TOTAL WAS 6,130,409,000 POUNDS, OR 2 PERCENT MORE THAN FOR THE SAME 4 MONTHS LAST YEAR. FOR THOSE 4 MONTHS OF THIS YEAR THE AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT OF CATTLE FIGURED 4.5 POUND HEAVIER, CALVES 3 POUNDS HEAVIER, HOGS 8.8 POUNDS LIGHTER, WHILE SHEEP AND LAMBS WERE 4.3 POUNDS HEAVIER. IN THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION THIS WEEK THE BULK OF GOOD 600-700 LB. CARCASS STEER BEEF SOLD WHOLESALE AT \$48.00 TO \$49.00 PER HUNDRED POUNDS. THESE PRICES WERE \$5.00 TO \$6.00 ABOVE A YEAR AGO AND ABOUT \$1.00 BELOW 2 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK. GOOD VEAL SELLING AT \$46.00 TO \$48.00 THIS WEEK SHOWED ABOUT THE SAME PRICE COMPARISONS AS BEEF. GOOD SPRING LAMB CARCASSES SOLD THIS WEEK AT \$48.00 TO \$52.00, OR ABOUT \$5.00 BELOW A YEAR AGO AND \$2.00 TO \$3.00 ABOVE 2 YEARS AGO. FRESH 8-12 LB. PORK LOINS THIS WEEK WERE AT \$54.00 TO \$58.00 WHICH PRICES WERE AROUND \$8.00 BELOW A YEAR AGO AND FROM \$2.00 TO \$6.00 BELOW 2 YEARS AGO.

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PACIFIC AND WESTERN LIVESTOCK AND MEAT TRADE REVIEW

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., JUNE 16, 1950 (FEDERAL-STATE MARKET NEWS). LIVESTOCK MARKETINGS THIS WEEK HAVE BEEN OF MODERATELY LIGHT SEASONAL VOLUME IN THE WESTERN STATES THIS WEEK AND SOMEWHAT BELOW THE NUMBERS MOVED TO MARKET IN THE SAME WEEK OF LAST YEAR. SUPPORTED IN PART BY THE LIGHTER MOVEMENT AND FAIRLY BROAD CONSUMER DEMAND FOR MEAT, PRICES HAVE HELD AROUND STEADY ON THE AVERAGE AND THE TRADE ACTION WAS SLIGHTLY BETTER AT MOST MARKETS THIS WEEK. THE ONLY MAJOR ITEM OF DISTINCT WEAKNESS WAS COWS, WHICH DECLINED 50¢ TO \$1.00 AT LOS ANGELES. COW BEEF FOLLOWED THE SAME TREND AT LOS ANGELES. THROUGHOUT MOST OF CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND ALSO AT SOME OTHER MARKETS, COWS SOLD FAIRLY ACTIVE AT FULLY STEADY TO STRONG PRICES. STOCKER AND FEEDER CATTLE HELD FIRM AT THE MARKETS AND ON CONTRACTS AT COUNTRY POINTS. SPRING LAMBS ADVANCED EARLY IN CALIFORNIA, BUT DECLINED 50¢ TO \$1.00 AT PORTLAND. THE EARLY UPTURN WAS LATER OFFSET BY A DECLINE AT SAN FRANCISCO.

ON THE MARKETS AT WEST COAST CENTERS THE BULK OF MEDIUM AND LOW GOOD SLAUGHTER STEERS, LARGELY UNDER 1200 LBS., SOLD AT \$27.00 TO \$30.00. LOS ANGELES HAD A COUPLE LOADS OF COLORADO STEERS OF GOOD GRADE AT \$31.50 AND A LOAD FROM ARIZONA AT \$32.00, WHILE FOUR LOADS OF GOOD 880 LB. COLORADO HEIFERS SOLD IN LOS ANGELES AT \$30.25. HIGH MEDIUM TO AVERAGE GOOD STEERS UP TO 1300 LBS. MOVED ON DIRECT SHIPMENT FROM CALIFORNIA FEEDLOTS AT \$29.00 TO \$30.00, A FEW GOOD LIGHTER WEIGHTS UP TO \$31.00, ALL WITH MOSTLY A 4% SHRINK. AVERAGE MEDIUM GRASS HEIFERS SOLD FROM \$24.00 TO \$26.00 AT THE MARKETS, A FEW UPWARD TO \$28.00. MOST COMMON AND MEDIUM SLAUGHTER COWS WENT AT \$18.00 TO \$22.00, A FEW GOOD YOUNG COWS UP TO \$24.00, MOST CANNERS AND CUTTERS FROM \$15.00 TO \$17.00.

THE CALIFORNIA MARKETS HAD A FAIR SHOWING OF STOCKER AND FEEDER STEERS EARLY IN THE WEEK AND THOSE MOVED AT \$25.00 TO \$27.00 ON MEDIUM AND GOOD GRADES, WHILE A FEW GOOD FLESHY KINDS BROUGHT TO \$27.50. YEARLING STEERS FOR LATE FALL DELIVERY CONTINUED TO SELL QUITE READILY OVER THE RANGE AND INTERMOUNTAIN STATES AT \$24.00 TO \$25.00, WITH SOME LOTS OF SHORT YEARLINGS AND CALVES AT \$25.25 TO \$26.00. DEALS ON SELECTED LOTS OF GOOD AND CHOICE CALVES WERE MADE FROM \$26.50 TO \$27.50 AND IN A FEW INSTANCES UP TO \$28.50. ON THE MARKET AT LOS ANGELES A LOAD OF GOOD AND CHOICE STOCK CALVES BROUGHT \$31.00 THIS WEEK. IN STOCKTON A COUPLE LOADS OF COWS WITH CALVES AT SIDE SOLD AT \$225.00 PER PAIR COW AND CALF.

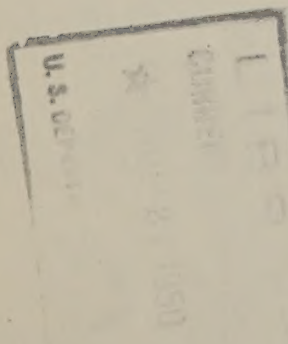
SMALL NUMBERS OF MEDIUM TO CHOICE VEAL CALVES SOLD UNEVENLY FROM \$25.00 TO \$30.00 WITH A FEW TO \$32.00 IN CENTRAL AND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. MOST MEDIUM AND GOOD 250-450 LB. SLAUGHTER CALVES BROUGHT \$25.00 TO \$29.00. LATE BULK OF GOOD AND CHOICE 180-240 LB. BUTCHER HOGS SOLD FROM \$21.50 TO \$22.00, SOME TO \$22.50 AT LOS ANGELES, AND FROM \$20.25 TO \$21.00 AT OGDEN.

LOS ANGELES HAD A FEW GOOD AND CHOICE SPRING LAMBS FROM \$27.00 TO \$27.75, WHILE OGDEN REACHED \$27.00. AT SAN FRANCISCO SORTED LOTS OF MOSTLY GOOD AND CHOICE SPRING LAMBS SOLD AT \$26.00 TO \$26.25, MEDIUM AND GOOD \$25.00 TO \$25.50 WITH BULK OF THE MEDIUM AND GOOD FEEDERS FROM \$24.00 TO \$24.25. LATE PRICES WERE \$23.50 TO \$24.00 ON GOOD AND CHOICE SPRING LAMBS AT PORTLAND. THERE WAS A FAIRLY GOOD MOVEMENT OF CLIPPED LAMBS FROM CLOVER PASTURES IN CALIFORNIA, WITH SALES AT \$26.00 TO \$26.50 ON SPRING LAMBS WITH MOSTLY NO. 2 PELTS. THESE LAMBS ON DIRECT MOVEMENT CARRIED A 4% SHRINK.

THE REPORT OF SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION IN MAY THIS YEAR SHOW A GOOD INCREASE IN NUMBERS OVER MAY LAST YEAR. CATTLE SLAUGHTER AT 1,075,370 HEAD WAS UP 5%, CALVES TOTALED 496,445 OR 12% LESS, BUT HOGS AT 4,338,414 WAS 20% PERCENT GREATER AND SHEEP AND LAMBS WERE 23% LARGER WITH A TOTAL OF 941,304.

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PACIFIC AND WESTERN LIVESTOCK AND MEAT TRADE REVIEW

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., JUNE 23, 1950 (FEDERAL-STATE MARKET NEWS) MODERATE TRADE ACTION AND ONLY MINOR PRICE CHANGES DEVELOPED IN THE WEEKS LIVESTOCK AND MEAT TRADE AT MOST OF THE WESTERN MARKET AREAS. WHILE MOST PRICES WERE STEADY THE GENERAL TENDENCY WAS A LITTLE ON THE WEAK SIDE AS SELECTIVE BUYING IN WHOLESALE AND CONSUMER CHANNELS PERSISTED. CLOSER APPROACH TO THE SUMMER INCREASE IN CATTLE AND LAMB MARKETINGS ALONG WITH THE EXISTING HIGH LEVEL OF PRICES WERE OTHER FACTORS SUGGESTING CAUTION — TO SLAUGHTERERS AND FEEDLOT OPERATORS.

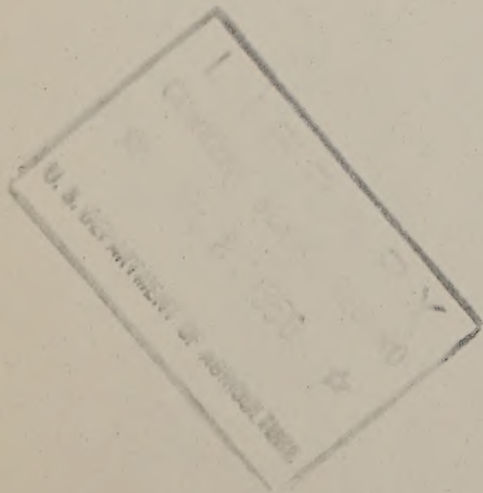
IN GENERAL CLOSING PRICES ON CATTLE WERE STEADY, WHILE CALVES AND VEALERS PROVED A MITE STRONGER IN SPOTS. HOGS REFLECTED A SEASONAL STRONG TREND AND ADVANCED ABOUT 25¢ ON THE AVERAGE, WHILE SPRING LAMBS SOLD STEADY TO 50¢ LOWER. A LIBERAL MOVEMENT WAS UNDERWAY FROM THE NORTH COAST AREA OF CALIFORNIA WITH QUALITY AND FINISH SHOWING A LITTLE IMPROVEMENT OVER THAT OF PREVIOUS YEARS. HOWEVER, LAMBS FROM THAT AREA CONTINUE TO CARRY A LARGE PERCENTAGE OF MEDIUM AND A CONSIDERABLE SPRINKLING OF COMMON GRADES. IN THE DRESSED TRADE AT SAN FRANCISCO COMMERCIAL AND UTILITY GRADES OF SPRING LAMB CARCASSES WERE DIFFICULT TO MOVE IN VOLUME AND PRICES WERE \$1.00 TO \$3.00 LOWER, WITH SCATTERED SALES OFF MORE. GOOD AND CHOICE SPRING LAMBS SOLD STEADY TO WEAK AT WHOLESALE AND GOOD BEEF HELD STEADY. WEAKNESS WAS SHOWN ON OTHER BEEF, WHILE VEAL AND CALF SOLD SLOWLY AT STEADY TO WEAK PRICES. PORK PRICES WERE IRREGULAR AT ALL WEST COAST DISTRIBUTING CENTERS, BUT AVERAGED ABOUT STEADY.

ACTIVITY SLACKENED SOMEWHAT IN THE CONTRACTING OF CATTLE, CALVES AND LAMBS OVER MOST OF THE WESTERN RANGE AND INTERMOUNTAIN AREAS. THIS WAS A REFLECTION OF GROWING RESISTANCE TO PREVAILING PRICE LEVELS, BUT RANCHERS SHOWED NO DISPOSITION TO ACCEPT LOWER BIDS. FEEDLOT OPERATORS IN THE COAST STATES PLACED FEWER PURCHASE ORDERS IN THE LAST WEEK OR TWO AND SOME EXPRESS THE THOUGHT OF WAITING UNTIL AUGUST BEFORE MAKING FURTHER DETERMINATION ON FEEDER CATTLE REQUIREMENTS FOR FALL AND WINTER FINISHING.

ON THE TERMINAL MARKETS OF THE WEST MOST AVERAGE MEDIUM AND LOW GOOD SLAUGHTER STEERS SOLD FROM \$26.50 TO \$30.00, WHILE A FEW LOADS OF MOSTLY LOW GOOD STEERS MADE UP TO \$31.00. SMALL LOTS OF MEDIUM HEIFERS WENT FROM \$24.00 TO \$27.50, WHILE SOME HIGH MEDIUM AND GOOD HEIFERS BROUGHT \$28.00 TO \$29.00, A LOAD OF MOSTLY CHOICE MAKING \$30.00 AT PORTLAND. BEEF TYPE COWS THAT WERE OF COMMON, MEDIUM AND LOW GOOD GRADES BROUGHT \$18.00 TO \$22.00, A FEW YOUNG KINDS AS HIGH AS \$23.00. CANNERS AND CUTTERS WENT FROM \$15.00 TO \$17.50. IN THE INTERMOUNTAIN REGIONS PRICES WERE 50¢ TO \$1.00 BELOW THE ABOVE GENERAL RANGES.

MEDIUM AND GOOD STOCKER AND FEEDER STEERS UNDER 900 LBS. SOLD ON THE COAST MARKETS AT \$25.00 TO \$27.00, SOME GOOD FLESHY FEEDERS \$27.50 TO \$27.75 AND A FEW TWO-WAY CATTLE UP TO \$29.00. SCATTERED CONTRACTS ON YEARLING STEERS IN THE INTERMOUNTAIN STATES WERE REPORTED FROM \$24.00 TO \$25.25, FALL DELIVERY, WHILE \$25.00 TO \$26.50 WAS REPORTED ON CALVES, WITH SOME GOOD AND CHOICE STEER CALVES AS HIGH AS \$28.00.

GOOD AND CHOICE VEAL CALVES SOLD ON THE MARKETS AT \$28.00 TO \$32.00, MOST MEDIUM AND GOOD 250-450 LBS. SLAUGHTER CALVES \$25.00 TO \$29.00. THERE WAS NO UNIFORMITY IN HOG PRICES. IN CENTRAL CALIFORNIA GOOD AND CHOICE 180-240 LB. BUTCHERS SOLD LATE AT \$22.00, SOME 180-225 LB. UP TO \$23.00 AT PORTLAND, WHILE PRICES WERE FROM \$20.25 TO \$21.50 AT MARKETS IN THE MOUNTAIN REGIONS. BULK OF GOOD AND CHOICE SPRING LAMBS AT SAN FRANCISCO SOLD AT \$25.50 TO \$26.00, SOME EARLY TO \$26.50. AT OGDEN A FEW LOADS BROUGHT \$27.00 TO \$27.50, BUT IN PORTLAND PRICES WERE \$23.00 TO \$24.00. DIRECT SALES FROM CLOVER PASTURES IN CALIFORNIA WERE MADE MOSTLY AT \$26.00 WITH A 4% SHRINK, AND SOME WERE DOWN TO \$25.50.





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LOS ANGELES, CALIF., JUNE 30, 1950 (FEDERAL-STATE MARKET NEWS). LIVESTOCK AND DRESSED MEAT TRADE DEVELOPED A VERY UNEVEN TREND THE PAST WEEK OVER THE WESTERN AREA. VOLUME OF LIVESTOCK OFFERINGS SHOWED NO MATERIAL CHANGE AND MUCH OF THE PRICE IRREGULARITY WAS OF A SEASONAL AND PREHOLIDAY NATURE. CAUTION SEEMED TO BE THE WATCHWORD WITH CURRENT STRIKES AND MILITARY EVENTS CREATING A GREAT DEAL OF SPECULATION AS TO THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE.

IN GENERAL OVER THE AREA, BEEF STEERS WERE STEADY TO 50¢ LOWER, INSTANCES 75¢ TO \$1.00 LOWER. HEIFERS LARGELY STEADY, SOME SALES IN THE INTERMOUNTAIN AREA 50¢ LOWER. COWS WERE STRONG TO 50¢ HIGHER AT LOS ANGELES BUT RANGED FROM STEADY TO \$1.00 LOWER AT OTHER POINTS. CALVES AND VEALERS WERE GENERALLY STRONG TO \$1.00 HIGHER. BUTCHER HOGS RANGED FROM 25¢ TO 75¢ HIGHER. SPRING LAMBS WERE LARGELY 25¢ TO \$1.00 LOWER, BUT EWES HELD GENERALLY STEADY. ALL DRESSED BEEF HELD STEADY TO STRONG AT SAN FRANCISCO BUT RANGED FROM STEADY TO \$1.00 LOWER AT LOS ANGELES AND THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST. VEAL AND CALF STEADY. LAMB STEADY TO \$2.00 LOWER, WITH SALES AT PORTLAND AS MUCH AS \$5.00 OFF. PORK RANGED FROM STEADY TO \$2.00 AND \$3.00 HIGHER.

STOCKER AND FEEDER TRANSACTIONS SEEM TO BE THE LIGHTEST OF THE SEASON TO DATE, ALTHOUGH SALES AT TERMINAL MARKETS, WHILE IN RATHER SMALL VOLUME, HAVE BEEN MAINTAINED AT STEADY TO STRONG PRICES. SCATTERED COUNTRY SALES SEEMED TO BE ON ABOUT THE SAME BASIS AS THE PAST WEEK OR TWO.

TERMINAL MARKET SALES OF MEDIUM AND GOOD BEEF STEERS WERE LARGELY IN A \$26.50 TO \$30.00 RANGE WITH GRASS STEERS REACHING \$28.00. MEDIUM AND GOOD HEIFERS \$26.00 TO \$29.50. BEEF COWS OF COMMON TO LOW GOOD QUALITY BROUGHT \$18.00 TO \$22.00, SOME GOOD COWS AT \$22.50 TO \$23.00 AND LIGHT HEIFERISH COWS TO \$24.00. CANNERS AND CUTTERS \$14.00 TO \$17.50. MEDIUM TO CHOICE VEALERS RANGED FROM \$27.00 TO \$33.00 WITH COMPARABLE QUALITY SLAUGHTER CALVES \$26.00 TO \$31.50.

MEDIUM AND GOOD STOCKERS AND FEEDERS AT MARKETS AND AUCTIONS BROUGHT \$23.00 TO \$28.00, A FEW REACHING \$29.00 IN THE BILLINGS AREA. STOCKER AND FEEDER HEIFERS \$23.00 TO \$27.00. A FEW MEDIUM AND GOOD STOCK COWS \$17.50 TO \$20.00. MEDIUM TO CHOICE STOCK CALVES \$22.00 TO \$29.00, A FEW REACHING \$32.00 AT LOS ANGELES.

GOOD AND CHOICE 190-240 LB. BUTCHER HOGS WERE SELLING AT \$22.50 TO \$22.75 AT CALIFORNIA MARKETS, WHILE PORTLAND AND SPOKANE REACHED \$23.00 AND OGDEN \$21.50. MEDIUM TO CHOICE SPRING LAMBS BROUGHT \$24.00 TO \$26.50, IDAHOS REACHING \$27.00 AT OGDEN. COMMON TO GOOD NO. 2 PELT EWES LARGELY \$6.00 TO \$9.00, SOME AT \$10.00 TO \$10.75 AT LOS ANGELES.

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